
CONSTITUTION OF THE MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

GERMAN CLUB

- Article I Name: The name of the organization is the German Club.
- Article II Purpose: The primary function of the German Club is to further interest in the German language and German culture by providing activities and events involving one or both.
- Article III Membership: Membership is open to all Middlebury College students.
- a. All students enrolled in German courses are automatically members.
 - b. All students living in the German House (or equivalent) are automatically members.
 - c. Any interested Students, Faculty, or Staff member is welcome to join.
- Article IV Officers: The club shall have a President and a Treasurer. Both shall be members of the Middlebury student body and should be enrolled one or more courses in the German Department.
- a. The President shall run meetings, organize events, and delegate other positions and responsibilities as they become necessary. This person shall also be a liaison between the club and the German House Residential Assistant and Executive Committee.
 - b. The Treasurer shall be the liaison between the German Club and the Finance Committee.
- Article V Elections: Due to the nature of the study-abroad program, elections shall take place within the first two weeks of the school year.
- a. The quorum shall consist of no fewer than the current President and Treasurer, the German House Residential Assistant, and the Executive Committee; each officer must be elected by a majority vote.
 - b. An interim President and Treasurer shall be designated by March 15th of the previous spring in order to facilitate planning for the next year.
 - c. In the case that an officer position becomes empty before elections, a temporary officer will be selected from the body of the current members on a voluntary basis, and will meet with the remaining officer, faculty adviser, and German House Residential Assistant for approval. Elections will then be held as stated above at the designated time.
- Article VI Meetings: Meetings shall take place two times per month, or as often as necessary to plan activities and events.
- Article VII Committees: The President may appoint temporary committees as the need arises. The only standing committee shall be the Executive Committee, made up of the German House members and any other club members appointed by the President. This committee oversees the main planning and decision-making of the club as pertains to the use of the German House for German Club functions.
- Article VIII Faculty/Staff Adviser: The advisor should be a faculty member within the German Department. This advisor is appointed by the German Department.
- Article IX Affiliations: The German Club maintains no formal affiliations with other institutions outside of Middlebury College.

Article X Discrimination Policy:
This student organization operates in full accordance with Chapter Four, Section II, A of the Middlebury College Handbook concerning Student Organization Policies of Discrimination, Freedom of Association, Anti-Hazing, Freedom of Inquiry and Expression, Student Publication, Funding, Advertising, and Scheduling. Any and all changes made to the Student Organizations Policies section of the Middlebury College Handbook will immediately become policies adopted by the German Club.

Article XI Ratification:
A. The constitution must be ratified by a two-thirds majority of the membership.
B. The constitution must be approved by the Student Government Constitution Committee.

Article XII Amendment:
A. The constitution must be amended by a two-thirds majority of the membership.
B. The constitution must be approved by the Student Government Constitution Committee.

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